



YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Monday, October 18, 2004
Hillview Community Center
97 Hillview Avenue, Los Altos, California 94022

ROLL CALL

Chairperson Stanley called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Present: Chairperson Stanley, Vice-Chairperson Wright, Commissioners Angelo, Bien, Demmer, DeMartini, Elchert, Lorell, Wyse, Zwarenstein

Absent Commissioner Sachdeva (excused)

Also Present Staff Liaison Carolyn McDowell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BIEN MOVED that the minutes from the September 20, 2004, meeting be approved as presented. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY ELCHERT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

BUSINESS

1. Department reorganization/recruitment – Staff Liaison McDowell announced Jennifer Wiess began working for the City of Los Altos as the Recreation Coordinator in early October. Recreation Supervisor, Donna Legge, will begin serving as the Youth Commission Staff Liaison on November 1, 2004.
2. Teen Program Coordinator – Molly James was selected as the City's Teen Program Coordinator and will begin work on October 21, 2004.
3. Underground Teen Center – Attendance at the Underground has been very low in early October, with approximately 20 teens in attendance. However, the first LAYC dance for the 04-05 school year was a tremendous success with 480 individuals in attendance. A special Halloween celebration is being coordinated at the Underground on October 22, from 7:00-9:00pm.

4. Skate Park – The Commission has completed its' research regarding a potential skate park in Los Altos. The survey results will be updated and forwarded to the Commissioners for review. It is anticipated the Commission will discuss this matter, and potentially form a recommendation, at their November 1, 2004, meeting.
5. LAVA Holiday Lights – This Summer, the Los Altos Village Association (LAVA) approached the Youth Commission regarding hanging and taking down the white lights in downtown Los Altos this holiday season in exchange for a donation to the Underground. LAVA has since decided to hire a contractor to perform this service. Meanwhile, LAVA brainstormed a number of ways the Commission could fundraise in coming months; Pumpkin Patch, October 29, Tree Lighting Ceremony, December 3, Holiday Stroll, December 12. The Commission decided to decline these opportunities.
6. City Council Meeting Attendance – The following Commissions have been assigned to attend Los Altos City Council meetings, should an item relating to youth be listed on the agenda.

October 26, Aaron Wyse
November 9, Todd Lorell
November 23, Jeffrey Bien
December 14, Brandon Angelo

7. Joint meeting with City Council – A joint meeting has been scheduled between the Youth Commission and City Council on December 14, 2004 at 5:30pm. The meeting will take place at the Hillview Community Center, in room A. It is anticipated the agenda will include a summary of Commission accomplishments, goals and a recommended budget.

ITEMS OF INTEREST - None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Community swimming pool

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Stanley adjourned the meeting at 8:23pm.

Minutes prepared by,
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